

REMARKS

This Reply is in response to the Office Action (Restriction Requirement) mailed on March 23, 2007 (Office Action).

In the Office Action, the Examiner sets forth the following restriction requirement requiring election of one of the below identified groups:

Group I, claim(s) 20-31 and 36, drawn to a composite article;

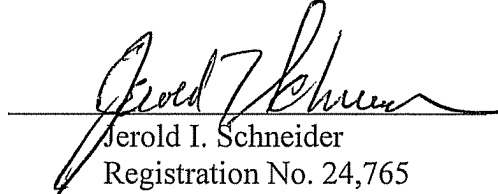
Group II, claim(s) 32-35, drawn to a method of making.

In response to the restriction/election requirement mailed March 23, 2007, Applicant expressly takes no position on the correctness of the restriction/election requirement. Applicant elects Group I (Claims 20-31 and 36) and has withdrawn Group II (Claims 32-35), because of the administrative/procedural requirement that an election be made, 37 C.F.R. § 1.142; M.P.E.P. § 818.03(b).

Although no fees are believed to be due, the Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees due with the filing of this document and during prosecution of this application to Deposit Account No. 50-0951.

Respectfully submitted,

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